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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION Q IRAQ - TOKYO

LEAD STORIES: Most Monday morning papers front-paged the start Sunday of the GSDF withdrawal from Iraq to Kuwait. Yomiuri also front-paged a US plan to deploy the PAC-3 system at Kadena Air Base by year's end.

¶1. "Maliki Announces Plan for National Reconciliation"
The conservative Sankei's Cairo correspondent Kano commented (6/26): "Speaking to Parliament Sunday, Iraqi Prime Minister al-Maliki announced a plan for national reconciliation, which includes granting amnesty to detained Sunni insurgents. The plan is intended to bring an end to sectarian and ethnic violence. Since the inauguration of a permanent government in May, the focus has been on how the Maliki government will turn things around in Iraq so that national interests are placed ahead of sectarian and ethnic interests.... PM Maliki was quoted as saying that inmates not involved in criminal or terrorist activity should be released immediately.... Maliki intends to quell sectarian violence by trying to get the Sunnis to buy into the political system."

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